



## **Team Playing Up Policy**

### **Teams declaring to participate at a Tier, other than age appropriate Tier.**

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Member, or Affiliate Member, teams, (U-9 – U-17) who wish to declare participation in EIYSA program, for current season, at Tier level higher than the age appropriate level of the team (as per age levels indicated in Rule 3.1.5), the following procedures apply:

- A team, through their Club, will apply, by March 29, 2019 (closest business day to March 31) (Outdoor), Indoor (date as determined annually by the EIYSA Board), to play up.
- The team, through their Club, will submit a letter along with the application, outlining the reasons why they wish to play up.
- The Executive Committee, chaired by the EIYSA President, will meet to review the application. A quorum for the executive committee is 50% +1.
- Each team (Team Officials) making an application may be asked to appear in front of the aforesaid committee to speak to their position.
- The Committee will render a decision, relative to each application.
- The Committee shall render their decision no later than April 8, 2019 (closest business day to April 7) (Outdoor), Indoor (date as determined annually by the EIYSA Board).
- The Committee's decision will be considered as final.
- Outdoor Season: Teams approved to play at a tier, other than age appropriate tier, will play at the higher tier for the applicable season, and may only qualify for Provincials at the level they are playing up in.
- Indoor Season: Teams approved to play at a tier, other than age appropriate tier, will play at the higher tier for the applicable season, and may only qualify for Provincials at the level they are playing up in.
- Once approved; teams remain in higher division/category till Club declares at Declaration time that they wish the team to drop back into their age appropriate level